

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO
EASTERN DIVISION**

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	:	
	:	
PLAINTIFF,	:	
	:	CASE No. 2:21-MJ-666
vs.	:	
	:	MAGISTRATE JUDGE
PAUL C. WELCH	:	CHELSEY M. VASCURA
	:	
DEFENDANT.	:	

**FIFTH JOINT MOTION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME DURING WHICH
INDICTMENT/INFORMATION MUST BE FILED**

Now come the parties, through their undersigned attorneys, and jointly move this Court for an additional order extending the time for the scheduled preliminary hearing and return of an Indictment or Information pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(b) from March 17, 2022, to April 28, 2022. The defendant, Paul C. Welch, is aware of his right the timely filing of an Indictment or Information, afforded under 18 U.S.C. § 3161(b), and hereby waives those rights for the purposes of this motion. The parties believe this additional continuance would best serve the interests of justice and that the time would be excludable pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

The parties have engaged in extensive plea discussions and have undertaken an evaluation of all relevant issues and guideline implications necessary to discuss a possible resolution to this case prior to the time within which the Indictment or Information must be filed March 17, 2022. However, the travel and trial schedules of the undersigned have delayed final discussions. The parties are in agreement that an additional continuance of the time for indictment would best serve

the interests of justice and the time would be excludable pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A).

For these reasons, the parties request an extension of the time until April 28, 2022, within which a preliminary hearing will occur or Indictment or Information may be filed in this case.

Respectfully submitted,

KENNETH L. PARKER
United States Attorney

s/David H. Thomas
DAVID H. THOMAS
Taft Stettinius & Hollister LLP
65 E. State St., Suite 1000
Columbus, OH 43215
(614) 334-6199
Attorney for Paul C. Welch
dthomas@taftlaw.com

s/Michael J. Hunter
MICHAEL J. HUNTER (0076815)
Assistant United States Attorney
303 Marconi Boulevard, Suite 200
Columbus, Ohio 43215
(614) 469-5715
michael.hunter@usdoj.gov

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF OHIO**

EASTERN DIVISION

UNITED STATES OF AMERICA,	:	
	:	
PLAINTIFF,	:	CASE No. 2:21-MJ-666
	:	
vs.	:	
	:	MAGISTRATE JUDGE
PAUL C. WELCH	:	CHELSEY M. VASCURA
	:	
DEFENDANT.	:	

ORDER

Upon this joint motion of the parties, and for the reasons set forth in the parties' joint motion, the Court hereby finds that there is good cause shown to grant an additional extension of time to return an Indictment or file an Information, that the extension would best serve the interests of justice and that the time would be excludable pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(h)(7)(A). Accordingly, the Court hereby GRANTS an additional extension of these dates until April 28, 2022, where a preliminary hearing will occur or an Indictment or Information will be filed pursuant to 18 U.S.C. § 3161(b).

Date

United States Magistrate Judge